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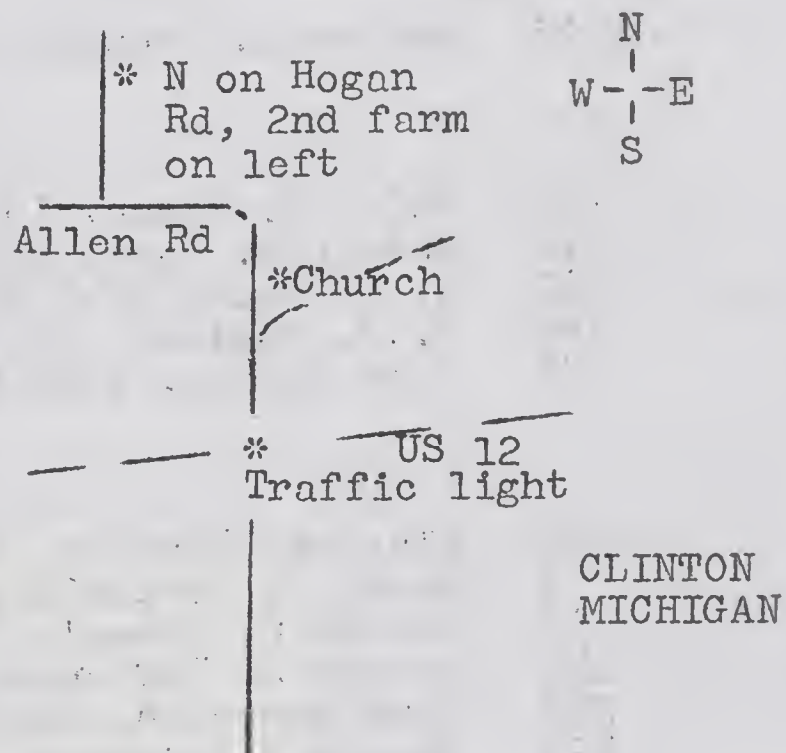
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## WE'LL SEE YOU THERE

Marie and Bill Johnson's Farm Picnic! Mich-TAMS members and other exonumists have gathered there, more than at any other single event of token and medal collectors in Mich., for several years. The large pretty lawn is ideal for the rows of trading tables, the atmosphere is great, the food a picnic, and the trading active.

This summer will be the 7th in a row that Marie and Bill have made this possible for us. The date is SUNDAY, JULY 31st. Plan on arriving in Clinton Mich about 9:30 AM and watch for the Mich-TAMS signs. It is easy to find.



## SOME BANQUET IN 1928

A special medal, struck in both silver and bronze, was issued in 1928 to commemorate the 100th meeting of the Detroit Coin Club. You may recall the Jan/77 article in the JUNK BOX telling of ten different issues of Detroit Coin Club medals. The article started with the one issued for the 150th meeting. Now a story comes to light, in the August 1928 issue of the Numismatist, showing pictures of this medal. The bust of Abraham Lincoln appears on the reverse. The obverse is the same as the later Detroit Coin Club issues.

The date was June 21 in 1928, and the special place for the banquet was the Detroit Elks Temple. Thirty-two folks sat down to that feast for their 100th meeting. For over 4 years they had met regularly twice monthly in their regular meeting room in the Dime Bank Building, but this was special. Would you have liked to have been there? One of us was.

CLIFTON A. TEMPLE, Mich-TAMS #396, who had 11 weeks earlier become a member of the ANA #3317, is listed as one of the 32 present. Next April will be 50 years of that membership. His 1928 address was 1247 Coplin Ave. Possibly Cliff can tell us why Lincoln was chosen to adorn that medal. Grinnell was president then of the DCC, guest of honor for the evening was ANA Pres Chas Markus of Davenport Iowa, and toastmaster was Edward A Hoare, ANA Dist Secy and organizer for the DCC. Telegrams were read from Farran Zerbe and Julius Gutttag. A Mr. Ritzenhein and a Miss Sullivan of Grinnell Bros were each given a medal for the excellent affair.



## PRESIDENT PAUL NEEDS OUR HELP

Our president of Mich-TAMS, Paul Cunningham, Box 1, Tecumseh, is calling for help: "Attention, Mich-Tammers! Don't forget the annual picnic. You certainly won't want to miss it - good times, good food, and plenty of token "action."

In a more serious vein, we have an important announcement to make: As Chester has resigned editorship of the JUNK BOX effective Jan. 1977, and because I'll not ask him to publish another edition (we've already prevailed upon him to do 3 past his resignation), I shall publish the 4th issue sometime this fall. This "caretaker" edition will be short and minus "filler." Unless, of course, someone steps forward to take over. One person has consented to be an assistant - a contributing editor. We need someone to "get it all together." I'd volunteer myself but I'm busier than a one-armed juggler."

And now for a poll of members - please contact Paul directly:

I - At our annual State Show at the Hyatt-Regency in Dearborn this fall, would you prefer our Mich-TAMS meet (& swap) on Sat or Sun ?

II - At the Spring Show - 1978 - Grand Rapids - on Sat or Sun ?

III - Suggested we have an Annual Service Award - should we or not ?

## AMONG OUR MEMBERS

W. A. JOHNSON #471 of Howard City wrote about two Mich Centennials. A small village 25 mi E and a bit N of Reed City is LAKE GEORGE. Their celebration was July 1 to 4. No coins or woodnics, but they do have a large attractive pin showing a locomotive, 50¢ each. The other town, very small, is just LAKE, 13 mi W of Clare and just off M-10. July 15 to 17 were their dates, and available were large centennial pins showing an American flag & early water tower @ \$1 each. Also Shaving Permit pins & Brothers of the Brush pins.

GEORGE C STENSON #310 of Algonac comments about the Saginaw 1907 Semi-Centennial Pieces - see p.7 of Apr JUNK BOX. His is AU and cost him \$3.50 in 1969. He also has a diff one, 32mm AU, cost him \$4.50 in 1977: HEAVENRICH BROS/MENS & BOYS/OUTFITTERS/LADDES SHOES/SAGINAW, MICH/SEMI-CENTENNIAL, etc. On p.3, "rare one" from Vassar referred to a small alum. trade token, but George says he has a Vassar Mich Centennial 1949 piece, his cost \$3 in '69, white plastic, blue on obv, green on rev, oxen pulling load of hogs, 25¢ value and CORK PINE CITY. Also 1974 125th Vassar.

WHO WAS charter member #3 of Mich-TAMS? Someone this spring was trying to find out. Also who made the inquiry?

SEEN ON A WORKMAN'S HAT was a pinback, about 2", red on white, with an old tractor heading west, 1977 Central Mich Antique Tractor & Engine Show, July 16-17. Was this held at Mason in Ingham County?

ROBERT R TURNER is our member #500, and he issued a Patrick Mint Bicent piece, I.H., to advertise his Coins - Tokens - Antiques in Oxford.

THE CIVIL WAR TOKEN SOCIETY JOURNAL will be 10 years old this fall. A committee to rename the Journal: JOHN CANFIELD, VIRGINIA CULVER, HANK SPANGENBERGER. Co-author of the Brunswick Token Story in TAMS Journal for June 77 is PAUL F WHITE #491. The only Mich town listed in the story is Ishpeming. Cunningham lists a diff TOUTLOFF token for Ishpeming. N R MACK #401, and pres of IOWMC, is at present stationed in Italy. TOM WALL #468 is the author of the LIVE MAPLE RESTAURANT & SALOON article in the June TAMS Journal. RICH HARTZOG #461 held an unusually good mailbid of CW tokens & Masonic Pennies in June. ALICE PENZES #16 collects elongateds & woodnics.



# MICH-TAMS MAIL BID #10

Closing date August 10. Mail your bids now to editor, Chester Clark  
3367 Jewell Road, Howell Mich 48843.

- | Lot # | Description  | Price |
|-------|--|-------|
| 1     | 4 red OPA tokens, nice cond, HC-TH-UX-UX   |       |
| 2     | Foreign trade token 12mm round BAS//20 c/A CONSOMMER, plated basemetal   |       |
| 3     | Amusement token TAMS#R01, Robbin & Robbin, 1 free play, brass 14mm rd  |       |
| 4     | Pinback 1917-19 MICHIGAN DRY/MI seal/VOTE YES, rwb 3/4" nice   |       |
| 5     | DAV license plate fobs, 2 pcs, Ohio '63 plastid & '66 tin 37 x 15mm  |       |
| 6     | Pinback Gerald Ford's WIN button, white on red 29mm like new   |       |
| 7     | Trade token rd brass 21mm center-hole G/F 5¢, rev monogram A   |       |
| 8     | "THE ELK" MOHAWK TRAIL (elk)//HAIRPIN TURN/MOHAWK TRAIL goldene 31mm   |       |
| 9     | Hardtimes token 1837 EXECUTIVE EXPERIMENT turtle-box//donkey, good   |       |
| 10    | ROBERT "BOB" FELLER 1966 30th-yr baseball, portrait, rd 40mm alum BU   |       |
| 11    | NIXON 1969 Inaugural medal, Lombardo mint 37mm BU bronze, min bid \$5  |       |
| 12    | Plastic peanut lifesize w/smiling mouth, on chain, Carter '76, mb \$2  |       |
| 13    | Antique matchsafe 6 1/2" shows DeLaval Cream Separator, tin, Mb \$6  |       |
| 14    | AOM/Clark Air Base (palms)//Cocoanut Grove/\$1.00, 38mm nickel mb \$3  |       |
| 15    | CW Storecard; R G Tyler, Detroit 225-GI-2c; VG   |       |
| 16    | CW Storecard; D L Wing Albany NY F-10-H-7a, VG or better   |       |
| 17    | Pope Paul VI, UN Oct 1965, portrait left, golden bronze 30mm BU  |       |
| 18    | Trade token 1/2 pozuto, G/F 50¢, A A Johnson Houston Tex, brass AU 33mm  |       |
| 19    | Early trade token G/F 2 1/2¢ MARTIN STEPPA, IRONWOOD MICH 21mm brass   |       |
| 20    | Cigar token MARQUETTE MACHINE TRADE CHECK G/F 1 nickel cigar 21mm bra  |       |
| 21    | BIG RAPIDS (Mi) CENTENNIAL 1955 G/F 25¢, some luster 25mm gold bronze  |       |
| 22    | LANSING MICH CENTENNIAL 1959 souvenir 50¢ gold bronze AU 34mm  |       |
| 23    | TOKEN/UN SOU/MONTREAL//AGRICULTURE COMMERCE, BR-692, copper good 27mm  |       |
| 24    | Trade token G/F 5¢ CHAS. TAVERN, GRAND LEDGE MICH, AU alum 21mm  |       |
| 25    | G/F 5¢ ROLL MINTS//CAILLIE QUALITY MINTS 5¢, center hole brass 21mm  |       |
| 26    | CORONATION MODEL/HALF FARTHING 1902 Edw VII copper 16mm holed at top   |       |
| 27    | Capped Lincoln Cent 1953 (ring around coin), nickel plated, why?   |       |
| 28    | 5-pt-star badge BAND OF MERCY/GLORY TO GOD, MSPCA ? 1882; nice, mb \$6   |       |
| 29    | Carter 1977 Inaug pinback, rwb ribbon, yel-wht on blue 44mm nice   |       |
| 30    | Detroit Coin Club 600th meet Nov 51 silver plate medal 38mm Unc  |       |
| 31    | Same as #30 except BU bronze (at time of Detroit's 250th)  |       |
| 32    | East Detroit Coin Club Mar 9 '75 solid copper, dove flight 32 1/2mm BU   |       |
| 33    | Pontiac Coin Club 1972 20th Anniv nickel silver (250 made) BU 39mm,  |       |
| 34    | German snuffbox OZONA SNUFF like new, alum 48mm. min \$5   |       |
| 35    | Franklin Mint bronze 33mm 1973 (B Franklin) encased, on keychain BU  |       |
| 36    | AARC Mantanuska Valley bingle, 77 Redbook p 251, G/F 5¢ alum 21mm,<br>(1935) 5,000 mintage, BU, Min Bid \$22.        |       |
| 37    | Same as #36 except G/F 10¢ 18mm, BU min bid \$22.  |       |
| 38    | GERALD R. FORD 4mm thick bronze medal "made in Canada" on his becom-<br>ing VP on Dec 6 1973, Unc, min bid \$5, 52mm |       |
| 39    | WILLIAM G. MILLIKEN, matching #38, as Gov of Mich 1974, 52mm mb \$5.   |       |

END OF SALE - BID NOW

RED JACKET VILLAGE, now Calumet, issued their beautiful antique  
bronze centennial piece, 39mm, in 1975 per LARRY EASTLEY #499.



## FREE CLASSIFIEDS

WILL PAY - fair prices for any Monroe or Monroe County Milk Tokens.

Everette J Payette, 1604 So Custer Rd, Monroe Mich 48161.

AVAILABLE - A complete set of the JUNK BOX thru 1976 (Vol XI #4). Make me an offer I can't refuse. Paul Targonsky, 23 Harrison St, Meriden Conn 06450.

WANTED - Information on my new transportation token - which country is it from - on both sides are the words "pasaje regular." Roberta Pierce, 152 W. 31st St, Holland Mich 49423.

ROLLOUT elongated coins, dies, machines, French publication Le Carnivale of 1876. C. "Gus" Meccarello, 228 Vassar Rd, Poughkeepsie NY 12603.

WANTED - Will buy or trade world wide transit and telephone tokens, Canadian trade tokens, Canadian & US Masonic Pennies, transit tickets, Alan T. C. Weighell, 1 Royal Orchard Blvd Apt 502, Thornhill Ontario.

WANTED - Florida tokens. Also tokens, woodnics, etc. from Battle Creek or Calhoun County Mich. Fred T. Stanfield, 606 Stanley Drive, Fernandina Beach Fla 32034.

## MICHIGAN GHOST TOWN

Just found last Sunday July 10 is an unlisted Michigan trade token, unlisted in Ray Olson's mavericks listing, and unlisted by Cunningham. Members of the Mich Treasure Hunters, home based in the Livonia-Westland area, toured to NW Crawford County, NW of Grayling, where Deward Mich used to be. Among the findings of the day with metal detectors were 3 tokens, alike. Member Dave Tourangeaux of the MTH found one of them and gives us this verbal description: "it is slightly larger than a quarter, I believe copper, and says MILL BOARDING HOUSE, ESTATE OF D. WARD, and GOOD FOR ONE FREE MEAL." Dave has said he will bring the token to show at a future meeting. Apparently the town derived its name from D. Ward. A population listing in 1930 shows 318 persons, another in 1937 shows only 10, and I believe now the town is uninhabited.

This week's speaker at the MTH meeting was the nationally known author on coinshooting, H. Glen Carson of Colorado, who showed slides of many Colorado mining ghost towns. He closed his talk with the slide showing a rough looking scalloped trade token of Tabasco Colo, G/F a drink at the bar, believed to be unique for that bar. Glen sold the token to a lady for \$35.

## CURIOSITY AROUSERS

Is this 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " pinback a Michigan item? A railway car is within an oval, red on white, with the words THIRD-RAIL ELECRIC RAILWAY. Black letters are G.R.G.H. & M. RY. Could this be Grand Rapids, Grand Haven & Muskegon?

This heavy square 67x67mm medal says SILVER MEDAL but it is bronze. It was in an old red beatup box but the medal is beautiful condition. The seller got it at an auction and sold it to a dealer at a Mich coin show. Neither knew anything about it except that it was an award medal from the 1904 St Louis Expo, so they guessed at \$12. and settled at that. Sometime later, in the mailbid sale of GEORGE RINSLAND #151 for July 15 one like it appeared as lot #778 with an estimate of \$115.00.

This piece says LEGAL TENDER, but it wasn't. It is the WHIPPLE DOLLAR, H&K #832, brass but like our 1878 silver dollar, incuse reverse